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September 18, 1997

Ranvir Singh
Federal Lands Program
Office of Surface Mining
Reclamation and Enforcement
Western Regional Coordinating Center
1999 Broadway, Suite 3320
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Re: Federal Lease U-024316, Application for Mining the Tank Seam, Co-Op Mining Company, Bear Canyon Mine, ACT/015/025 - 97-1, Emery County, Utah

Dear Mr. Singh:

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The Division has been processing an application by Co-Op Mining Company to mine federal lease U-024316. You should have received a copy of the initial application back in April. Since that time Co-Op has revised the application in response to deficiencies identified in our initial review. A copy of their response is enclosed for your information and records.

The Division anticipates completing our review of this application by October 17, 1997. It is our understanding that Federal Mine Plan approval will be needed before Co-Op would be allowed to mine in this lease. Your cooperation in this permitting action is appreciated. Please notify us if there is any additional information that you require. If you have any questions, please call.

Sincerely,

Daron R. Haddock Permit Supervisor Haddock

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Enclosure

cc: Richard Manus, BLM

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